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Thanksgiving Proclamation.

In conformity with a time-honored custom of New England, and in accordance with the proclamation of the President of the United States, I appoint THURSDAY, THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, next, as a day of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God for the innumerable blessings which he has bestowed upon our commonwealth. On that day let the people lay aside their usual labors, and in the sanctuary and in the household give fitting expression to their gratitude and gladness. In the happy observance of this harvest festival by the reunion of families and friends, let not the suffering and unfortunate be forgotten, but let their wants be relieved by that charity which is twice blessed—blessing him that gives and him that receives. Given under my hand and the seal of the state, at Shelburne, on the thirty-first day of October, A. D., 1883.

JOHN L. BARNSTOW,
Governor.

GEORGE W. WALKER,
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

To Old Subscribers.

We are highly gratified that so many are taking advantage of our offer to send *Good Cheer* for one year free to those who pay for *THE WATCHMAN* one year in advance. For the present time to which advance payment will be required will be November 1, 1884. To avoid any misunderstanding, we will state the offer anew: All subscribers, old or new, who will pay for *THE WATCHMAN* to November 1, 1884, will receive *Good Cheer* one year free. Send seventeen cents for the odd months. Those who do not wish to take up with this offer are requested to settle their dues as soon as possible, as we are in immediate need of the money.

Do You Wish a Valuable Premium Free?

The rapidity with which the number of our subscribers is increasing, without any special effort on our part, leads us to believe that a little well-directed effort on the part of our friends will yield good returns, and in order to make it an object for them to work for us we have decided to announce the following offers:

To any one who will send us the names of two new subscribers to *THE WATCHMAN* and four dollars, we will forward, postage paid, a copy of the National Standard Dictionary. This is a 16mo. illustrated book, with the following table of contents: Forty thousand words (pronounced and defined) illustrated with seven hundred wood cuts, A table of synonyms, Foreign words and phrases, American geographical names, Surnames of American states, etc., A biographical register, Abbreviations in common use, Metric system, Weights and measures, Marks and rules for punctuation, Simple rules for spelling, Use of capital letters, Parliamentary rules and usages, Valuable information for business men, Sizes of books and papers, Geographical statistics, Census of principal cities, etc., Distance tables, Coinage tables, Dull and dumb alphabets, Dictionary of musical terms, Business and nautical vocabularies, Chronological American history, Handy mythological dictionary, and various other information. It will be found to be a very valuable and convenient book, especially for young people attending school, and a little effort on the part of any one will secure it. A sample copy can be seen at this office.

To any one who will send us the names of five new subscribers to *THE WATCHMAN* and ten dollars (and twenty-five cents to pay for postage and registering), we will forward by mail one of the famous Waterbury watches, a cut of which is given below.



This is not a toy, but is a genuine, stem-winding watch, guaranteed to keep good time. The cases are made of silver, and it looks as well as a silver watch costing fifteen or twenty dollars. A sample watch can be seen at this office. You will be surprised to find how easily you can obtain the five subscribers and secure this watch. Try it.

These premiums are given to the canvassers for obtaining new names, but as an inducement for the new subscribers to be thus secured we shall send *THE WATCHMAN* to them until January 1, 1885, and *Good Cheer* one year, for two dollars. This, then, is our offer to new subscribers: *THE WATCHMAN* to January 1, 1885, and *Good Cheer* twelve months, for two dollars. The dictionary to the canvassers for two new names, and the watch for five new names. Sample copies of each paper will be sent free on application. The earlier you begin the easier it will be to secure the premiums.

Local Items.

CIRCULATING library at H. E. Slayton's. GET your machine needles at Webster's. WRITE to J. P. DONOVAN for a sewing-machine. THEY are selling a good sewing-machine for \$25 at the Capitol office. THE best thing for writers and mittens is corticeal knitting silk, to be found in all colors at Webster's. SEWING-MACHINES sold at only \$2 a month at the Capitol office. All attachments free. Now is your chance. MRS. D. A. SLACK has returned from Boston, where she spent a few days in getting the fall styles, and is now prepared to execute all

orders for dressmaking promptly and in the latest style. Any one in need of employment in her line would do well to call on her.

HAVE you seen the long-protecting vest for ladies? If not, you can find them at Webster's. Something new.

DR. BALL's health corset, Madam Foy's skirt supporters, Dr. Warner's Coralline corsets, as well as ten other styles, at Webster's.

E. M. SLAYTON of Manchester, N. H., who advertises in another column for butter, is a reliable man and will do as he agrees.

CROCKERY and glassware, especially so cheap as at the present time, never was in all kinds. If you don't believe it, go to Webster's and see.

BUCKNER's Dollar Music Chart by which any one can play accompaniments and thirty-five pieces of music for only fifty cents, at the Capitol office. Call early.

THE New Household, Domestic, White, American, and other first-class sewing-machines at special reduced rates at the Capitol office. Call early.

E. L. BASS will be at Montpelier to-morrow, November 8, with another lot of choice apples. A large variety of well-packed No. 1 fruits will be sold from the car.

THE biggest thing yet. Ladies' imported French kid button boots, all solid for only \$2.25 per pair, usual price \$4, at the five-cent store. Only two pairs will be sold to one person.

J. G. MORRISON & Co. have just received at their State street store another invoice of those nice fitting Langtry, dolmans and circulars. Our garments are first-class in every way and our prices will be found to be lower than is usually made on first quality goods.

THE ladies of the Unitarian society will give a sociable at their vestry Friday afternoon and evening, November 9th. Gentlemen invited to tea which will be served from half-past five until seven. The play, "More Bunches than One," will be given in the evening. Admission fifteen cents.

DEALERS will find at the *Argus and Patriot* store the largest and cheapest assortment of holiday paperies and Christmas cards ever offered in this section of the country. Do not purchase your holiday stock before you look their goods over. Mr. Atkins also offers extra inducements for retailers to buy their diaries of him, giving them not only as large a discount as they can get of any one, but one other advantage that no one else can give. Persons buying for religious festivals, Sunday-schools, etc., will be allowed special rates.

Current Mention.

REV. L. WARREN is to preach in Calais at "Maple corner," next Sunday, November 11th, at one o'clock P. M.

TENNINGER is to have an educational meeting some time during the winter, in charge of Superintendent Dart.

THE annual meeting of the Vermont State Agricultural Society will be held at the Bardwell house, Rutland, on Wednesday, November 14, at ten A. M.

A TEACHERS' meeting will be held at Bethel November 8 and 9 by the association of Windsor and Orange counties, and the state superintendent of education.

THE senior class of Lewis college, under the direction of Professor Asa Howe, are correcting the curves on the Montpelier & Wells River railroad, preparatory to laying steel rails.

ONLY one case has been heard by the supreme court during the week past; that of John E. Howland vs. Benjamin Day and Charles Dean. The case of Charles M. Williams et al. vs. Sarah A. Osgood et al. is now being heard.

AFTER causing much annoyance and forming a good hindrance to the proper and prompt delivery of mails, the recent postal order to the effect that postal cars must be cleared of all government property at the end of each trip has been rescinded.

ON account of local reasons the Washington County Good Templars' Union, which was to be held on November 14th, at Northfield, is postponed to Thursday, December 13th, when the lodge at Northfield will be prepared to welcome their friends from other places.

THE good people of Burlington are getting stirred up, and with good reason we think, because of the indecent character of some of the show bills that are posted on the bill boards and hung in public places in that city. Pictures of actors and actresses in costumes better adapted to the tropics than to this cold climate do not tend to improve the morals of the young or the old.

LA MOILLE county Sunday-school association will hold its fifth annual convention at Cambridge, November 16th and 17th, in the Congregational church, beginning at one o'clock P. M. of the first day. An interesting programme is being prepared and all interested in Sunday-school work are cordially invited to attend. The people of Cambridge will provide entertainment for all who attend, and arrangements will be made for return checks on the railroads.

IF the following remark by Charles Dickens were posted on the street corner in every village in this section, the effect might be salutary: "The first external revelation of the dry rot in a man is a tendency to lunk and lounge, to be at street corners without intelligible reason, to be going anywhere when met, to be about many places rather than any, to do nothing tangible, but to have an intention of performing a number of tangible things to-morrow or the day after."

NATHANIEL PERMY, postmaster at Lower Cabot, sends us the following list of persons who have died in that town: "In their full strength or usual health and vigor, without any knowledge of their approaching end," and all within his recollection: Enoch Hoyt, Elihu Coburn, Solomon W. Osgood, Benjamin Perry, John McLean, Abigail Coburn, Elihu Coburn, 2d, John R. Putnam, Phineas Dow, Charles Fisher. The time extends from December 2, 1821, to October 21, 1883, and the ages range from forty to seventy-two years.

lature to legalize the list. Butler intends to recover taxes for several years past, as the records show the same error.

ANNOUNCEMENT is made of a grand vocal and instrumental concert to be given at the Union church, North Montpelier, on the evening of Thursday, November 15, for the benefit of Miss Ellen J. Nye and Harold E. Nye. The concert will be under the direction of Professor Charles F. Dudley of East Montpelier. Mr. Dudley will be assisted by Mrs. E. V. Spencer of Marshfield, Mr. F. W. Bancroft of Montpelier, Mr. H. P. Whittier of Cabot, and other soloists; by the choirs from the East and North Montpelier churches and by a chorus of forty voices from neighboring towns. The programme will consist of selections from the best composers.

In a recent issue of this paper appeared the story of Judge Wheeler's appointment as given by the *Troy (N. Y.) Times*. The Rutland *Herald* and the *Free Press* have had a little dialogue on the subject in which the *Herald* says that the story as given by the *Times* is substantially as Mr. Hickok has told it, and that Judge Wheeler's appointment was 'due to his efforts. The *Free Press* asserts that Mr. Hickok's efforts were to prevent a certain other possible appointment and that the appointment of Mr. Wheeler was an entire surprise to Mr. Hickok, although it was satisfactory. Both papers seem inclined to "hedge" a little on the question, but both appear to think there is foundation for the story.

AN educational meeting is to be held at Bethel this week by Superintendent Dart with the following programme: Thursday evening, half-past seven o'clock, address by superintendent Dart, Factors in Educational Work. Friday forenoon, nine o'clock; devotional exercises; How to Speak the Truth, W. B. C. Stickney; Discipline and School Management, Principal L. B. Purmort, Hartford, Principal B. M. Weld, Thetford; Adaptation of the Kindergarten to Ungraded Schools, Miss Carrie Curtis, Bethel. Two o'clock P. M., Reading, Principal W. H. Sanderson, Woodstock; Spelling, Superintendent L. H. Spaulding, Bridgewater, Miss Mary L. Fullington, Woodstock. Evening, seven o'clock, What Can the People Do for the Schools? Superintendent E. H. Martin, Williamstown, Superintendent Miss F. H. Graves, Williamstown, Superintendent R. G. Bugbee, Bethel. General discussion of the above topics. Saturday forenoon, nine o'clock, devotional exercises; Physiology and Hygiene, W. F. Rocheleau, Randolph; Penmanship, Principal A. L. Hardy, West Randolph; Composition, Miss M. E. Parker, Randolph.

THE *Idler* of the *Free Press* relates the following interesting incident: "The end of a real romance of true love was consummated this week by a marriage at the residence of a well-known citizen. As the *Idler* hears the story, the circumstances of the romance are as follows: Last summer some Burlington people were visiting in a western town and there formed the acquaintance of a furniture dealer who had recently buried his second wife. They joked him a little about his future matrimonial prospects, and he candidly admitted that he would like to get married again and asked them if they knew of an eligible lady. Subsequently he looked at their photograph album, in which was the picture of an unmarried lady of this city who took the widower's fancy, and was told her name. The Burlington people thought no more of it, but after their return home were surprised to learn that the western lady had opened a correspondence with the lady alluded to. The course of true love ran smoothly, the western widower came to Burlington on Friday of last week, saw his lady love for the first time, and the marriage took place on Tuesday, the happy couple starting at once for the West.

MR. JOHN W. HOBART has been appointed "General Manager" of the Central Vermont railroad company, says the *Messenger*, and will have charge of the details of the various departments of the road and its leased lines. He assumed the duties of his position on November 1st. The appointment of Mr. Hobart to this higher place as a railroad official is a deserved recognition of years of faithful and unremitting devotion to the service and interests of this corporation, and will call forth heartfelt congratulations from his friends. His connection with the road has extended through a period of some thirty-five years, he having begun his railroad career with the inauguration of the road itself. Mr. Hobart commenced work on the construction of the road in 1848; was appointed clerk in the Montpelier office in 1849; station agent at Montpelier in 1851; master of transportation in 1859; general freight agent about 1867, and general superintendent in 1873. With so large an experience in railroad matters, he has filled the general superintendent's position with appreciable ability, has ever been alive to the welfare of the road and the accommodation of its patrons, and is thoroughly fitted to handle the duties of his new position with credit to himself and the corporation the general management of whose lines have been entrusted to him.

In regard to the young counterfeiters found out in Jamaica, mention of whom has been made, the *Brattleboro Reformer* has the following: "Doubtless the story of the Jamaica gang of counterfeiters has been somewhat exaggerated in newspaper reports; but it is useless to claim, as has been done, that the whole thing is a hoax. There has been such a gang, with every disposition in the world to enter on a criminal career, and it is only for lack of skill that more was not done. The outfit and implements found was complete. District Attorney Haskins says that some of them were equal to any he ever saw, and evidently prepared by a workman. The mold for instance was only imperfect because the boys did not understand about baking it, but otherwise it was just as counterfeiters always make them. The milling on the counterfeit dollars found was perfect, and they were in unsuitable shape to pass safely because the plaster of Paris was not baked hard enough. It is not known yet that any counterfeit money had been put out, but the organization was nearly prepared for it. Young Shanks of Londonderry, whom Clark associated with the gang, denies having any knowledge of the band whatever or of its secrets, and it remains to be seen whether others who are named by Clark as residing in Townshend, Winchester and Ashuelot can be found. Jamaica people have known for some time of the existence in the town of a tough gang of fellows."

THE Boston *Herald* is responsible for the following slander on Vermont: "The act now being held at Horticultural hall seems to be viewed with unusual interest, as over four thousand persons visited it yesterday. An amusing episode occurred during the afternoon. The lithograph advertisement of the

show represents a cat of the masculine gender performing on a banjo a serenade to his Dulcinea, both parties being perched on a spacious garden wall. A brawny countryman, accompanied by two buxom lasses, entered the hall, and, after a prolonged investigation of the animals on exhibition, asked to see the performing cats. An attendant took him to the section in which these intelligent animals are cared for, and exhibited their various performances. After their roles had been exhausted, he inquired where the cat that 'played on the new-fangled fiddle' was. The usher, after a lengthy description of the pictured scene, explained to him that the picture was but an imaginary one, and the countryman's ire was aroused by the thought that he had been deceived into the expenditure of money under false pretences. It required the utmost diplomacy of the genial Kyle to set his mind at rest on the matter. He finally 'saw through the thing,' and after expressing his relieved mind with the exclamation, 'Well, you Boston fellows are sharp,' invited Mr. Kyle to visit him at his home in North Craftsbury, Vt., and departed."

THE Vermont Central Pomona grange, Patrons of Husbandry, met with Williamstown grange Wednesday, October 31st, at ten o'clock A. M., being the annual meeting. Worthy Master Joseph Gold called the meeting to order and after reading the record of last meeting, the reports of the several subordinate granges were made. Seven of the nine granges were represented and all reported themselves in a prosperous condition. At this time the delegates retired and made choice of the following officers: Worthy master, Joseph Gold; overseer, L. N. Ellis; lecturer, E. E. Andrews; steward, Presby Hopkins; assistant steward, L. A. Flint; chaplain, C. Holden; treasurer, H. D. Abbott; secretary, N. A. Kelly; gate keeper, H. C. Kibbee; Caree, Mrs. L. N. Ellis; Pomona, Mrs. H. W. Bacon; Flora, Mrs. L. A. Flint; stewards, Mrs. N. A. Kelly. After the delegates returned to the hall, the grange was vested in form and the members met in the vestry of the Methodist church, where they partook of dinner from the well-filled baskets of the matrons. At two o'clock they met in the body of the church, with quite an addition to their numbers, to listen to an address from Colonel A. B. Franklin, master of the state grange. Sisters Nellie Dewey and H. Bacon gave recitations, and music was furnished by the choir at intervals through the meetings. A vote of thanks was tendered to the society for opening the church for the meeting, also to Williamstown grange for the hospitality extended to the visiting patrons. The next meeting will be held at West Berlin the first Wednesday in February, 1884.

WE have received from Francesco Mastrodomenico of Casaleonovo di Conza, Provincia di Salerno (Italy) a circular addressed "To the Rulers of Nations, Explorers of the Earth, and Inhabitants of the Globe," in which the aforesaid gentleman says: "I announce to you that I have discovered the secret of navigating the air in a balloon against the wind. I have not yet put in practice my great discovery, because the means are still wanting; but long study and repeated experiments have assured me of a successful result, and that in short time men will be able to navigate round the world in a balloon. Now this being in many respects a delicate subject as the peace and tranquility of the world might be endangered by the aeronaut carrying arms and bombs across the confines of even the most powerful states and so exciting general uneasiness, I am that my invention be beneficial to the world and not hurtful, I cannot divulge my secret till I learn the views and intentions of the different governments and so avoid all unnecessary susceptibility and the possible fusion of blood and treasure to the utter destruction of all peace and security. If then my invention be thought worthy of your approbation, I await a reply before publishing my secret." We admire the good judgment of Francesco in announcing this great discovery to us and asking our opinion before going further, especially as "the means are still wanting." If there is one thing more than another in which we are interested, it is aerial navigation, and if money is wanted to push the enterprise it adds the more to the enticing allurements of the project. Go ahead, Francesco, by all means go ahead! You have our approbation. If you need a few hundred thousand with which to raise the wind, just let us know.

WE learn from the St. Albans *Messenger* the following facts with regard to a terrible accident which occurred Monday morning on the Missisquoi railroad. As the train leaving St. Albans at 6:05 A. M., was approaching the station at North Enosburgh, Engineer Thomas Flood noticed that the switch was set so as to turn the train upon the gravel track which terminated on the bank of the river. He reversed his engine and jumped for his life, but was terribly hurt, having both legs broken and his skull fractured just over the eyes. The fireman, Fred Hauver, remained in the engine, which with two butter cars was hurled into the river and sank out of sight. The passenger and baggage cars were saved from a similar fate by a rail which was broken when the engine went over. This threw them off into a sand bank. None of the passengers were hurt, with the exception of A. W. Woodworth of Enosburgh Falls and Superintendent Deal, both of whom jumped from the car steps and received slight bruises, the former about the legs and head, and the latter a slight sprain of foot or ankle. There is no doubt that the misplacing of the switch was done by some malicious person, and suspicion points to an individual who was seen in the vicinity of the switch about twenty minutes before the train was due at North Enosburgh, and it is supposed that he threw the switch over and locked it. The fireman was instantly killed. Flood's injuries are such that he has only a slight chance for recovery, though later reports say he has rallied a little. No blame is attached to the railroad company for the accident. A reliable track walker had passed the spot and reported the track in a safe condition a short time before the train was due. Edward Ellis, who was suspected of wrecking the train was arrested at Richmond Monday afternoon. He confessed to using the switch early Monday morning, but claims that he left it all right. The evidence is strong against him.

REV. PETER MERRILL, one of the oldest Methodist clergymen in the state, recently stationed at Northfield, has the following in a letter to the *Boston Journal* from Enosburgh Falls: "People who do not live in Massachusetts feel a deep interest in the exciting canvass which is now going on politically with you. They should not every true patriot in this Nation feel a deep interest in it, when an important principle is involved in your election who shall

be your governor? The writer has read with care all the speeches made by the two candidates for the governorship, as well as all other speeches from prohibitionists and greenbackers, and how any virtuous and intelligent man can hesitate a moment who is the man who should be elected governor of Massachusetts is strange indeed. Mr. Robinson has shown by his speeches that he is an able man, a gentleman, and every way equal to his opponent in argument and logic. I should rather die in the poor-house a thousand times than to have such a record as your governor has made in this campaign, with all of his wealth, talent and honored titles. Why any prohibitionist can refuse to vote for Mr. Robinson is strange indeed. I am a prohibitionist of the radical kind, but I could cheerfully vote for Mr. Robinson with his temperance record. What could a governor do for prohibition unless he has the legislature to go for it? This matter is with the people to elect men to the legislature who are prohibitionists, then your governors will be sustained in prohibition. Let the press, the pulpit and the family educate the people correctly on this subject and there will be no trouble in making prohibition laws, and until it is done all laws on this subject will be like ropes of sand. I remember when your governor stood before the people of your state and before the Nation and said in his speeches he wanted to go to congress to help the colored people which he had promised God he would do when they fought so bravely to save the Nation. If he said anything in congress to aid them, the writer has failed to see it, and we looked eagerly to his record while in congress to see it, but in vain. The writer was greatly disappointed, because he wrote him a letter after his election, congratulating him on it, because I thought he would stand up for the colored race."

THE range of choice for candidates for the office of governor is by no means exhausted by the few "mentions" which have thus far been made. Vermont is rich in names which are neither unknown to fame nor unfitted to shine at the end of fast day and thanksgiving proclamations. Artless small boys, rural maidens and the visiting yeomanry might be awestruck by the presence in the chair of state in the governor's room at the Capitol by any one of a score or more of individuals, the naming of whom in connection with the chief executive office would bring the blush of modest surprise to his unobtrusive cheek. First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of impressive females, there is the chivalrous Forbes. Experience in the general affairs of the state has been rounded out by his tenure of the office of "executive clerk." An unscrupulous opposition might accuse him of using his high position to advance the interests of the "Journal Bureau," but this Partisan shaft would be harmless against so old a campaigner as Colonel Forbes. The suggestion of Forbes inevitably brings up Johnson of the *Free Press*. His name is entwined in the history of the times with that of his semi-military compeer. His great fecundity, cool deliberation, unerring accuracy and correct judgment as a writer, has been frequently remarked. His messages and proclamations would lack point, ability, nor brilliancy, in the event of his selection, unless invidious statesmen, prompted by a mean and narrow spirit, should put their productions under the strong ward of lock and key. Then there is the astute and versatile Oviatt, who in the dash of canvass for the office of railroad commissioner a year ago, received a nearly unanimous vote, but, oddly enough lost the election for which he panted. There, too, is Dixon (D. Webster) of the St. Albans *Messenger*, whose antiquarian lore and familiarity with foreign affairs would be invaluable, if the state should have "relations," such as it sometimes has had, with the Dominion. And these qualifications have lately been supplemented—for what else if not for office?—by several efforts—exceedingly amateurish if it be true on domestic and local affairs. Harris of the *Index* and Thayer of the *Herald and News*, rural Warwicks, might also be given the recompense due for governor-making by pressing to the lips of either the honeyed potion of executive honor he has so graciously administered to others. And so the roll might be almost indefinitely lengthened. Modesty, however, as well as vows of celibacy as to office and the enjoyment of the untrammelled delight of carrying a free lance, must excuse us from adding our names to the list and also forestall any similar suggestion by another.

Personal.

HON. JUSTUS DART, the state superintendent of education, has located at Springfield. JOHN P. HOWARD, Esq., has gone to Washington. He expects to return to Burlington to spend Thanksgiving.

CAPTAIN HENRY MATO, who has been since 1825 a steamboat captain on Lake Champlain, has resigned. He is eighty years old.

HON. JOHN W. STEWART has been in Washington recently. It is understood that he will occupy the old John Quincy Adams house, formerly owned by Bradley Barlow.

JAMES E. GOODWIN has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Connecticut River railroad, the appointment taking effect November 1st, with headquarters at Bellows Falls.

HENRY R. DORR, son of the Rutland poetess, and himself a versifier of no little promise, who has been on the Springfield *Republican* staff for several years, is now connected with the Boston *Herald*.

REV. L. G. WARE was installed as pastor of the First Universalist church, Burlington, twenty years ago last Sunday. The anniversary was commemorated by an appropriate discourse at the morning service.

D. F. MOORE of Rensselaer, N. Y., has been engaged by the state committee of the Young Men's Christian Association to act as state secretary for two months at least, and if sufficient funds can be secured, he will be retained through the year.

PROFESSOR A. L. HARDY, principal of the West Randolph graded school, has been offered the position of vice-principal of the St. Johnsbury academy, and it is expected that he will accept the situation at an early date. Mr. Hardy has done excellent work at West Randolph, and will be greatly missed.

CONVENTOR CHARLES S. HOLMAN of Brattleboro, for twenty-three years employed by the Central Vermont railroad and running between Millers Falls and Brattleboro, has resigned to go upon a two hundred and seventy-acre farm in Brattleboro. Holman drove a merchant-deer team from Omaha to Denver years ago, and he had some uncomfortable experience with the Indians.

FURNITURE—The immense stock of new styles on hand in chamber, parlor and sitting room furniture at Paine's, 48 Canal street, Boston, should be seen by all our townspeople when they visit that city. We heartily commend this as a reliable place to trade.

Montpelier.

SENATOR BRAINERD of St. Albans was in town Tuesday. FRED ADAMS returned last Wednesday from a trip in the West. H. W. DREW and wife spent Sunday with relatives in St. Albans.

G. H. STORTON is moving from Barre street to the Ketchikan house on Court street.

R. M. WHALEY has moved into the house formerly owned by the Rev. Mr. Smith.

THE ladies of Bethany society will serve an oyster supper in their chapel Friday evening, November 9.

REV. C. S. SMITH has moved into the Erasmus Camp house recently purchased by him of N. P. Brooks.

THERE will be no service in Christ church next Sunday evening, as the rector leaves for Waitfield at noon. CHAPLAIN McCABE will lecture at Trinity church, December 12th, on "Bright Side of Life in Liberty Prison."

THE standard time of the depot clock became the stand-still time Tuesday morning at twenty minutes of two.

THE Montpelier and Wells River railroad received several carloads of steel rails from the Troy foundry last week.

MRS. L. W. RIKER, mother-in-law of Mrs. Holmes and Colonel R. Riker, is very low with typhoid pneumonia.

MISS HATTIE LANE, who has been spending the past five weeks in Boston, Nashua and Lowell, has returned home.

CONDUCTOR SEXTON of the Central Vermont railroad, accompanied by his wife, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clark on Monday.

C. B. PUTNAM, formerly connected with THE WATCHMAN office, has gone to Cabot, where he has a situation as clerk in Sprague's store.

REV. HOWARD F. HILL expects to hold a religious service at the school house in Irasburgh (Waitfield) on Sunday next at four o'clock.

A REGULAR communication of the Aurora lodge, No. 22, F. & A. M., will be held at Masonic hall on Monday evening, November 12, at seven o'clock.

FRANK H. BASCOM has purchased of J. T. Sabin the Davis house below the "Riverside." He intends to repair it in the spring and fit it up as a double house.

THE new Barre railroad bridge over the Worcester Branch, which since its erection has been only the skeleton of a bridge, has been covered. It is now one of the best wooden bridges owned by the Central Vermont.

OFFICER KEAGAN arrested Robert O'Neill and Edgar Trainor, on Sunday for drunkenness. On Monday they were brought before Justice O. D. Clark, when they disclosed on Albert Lane, and were discharged after paying the usual fine.

AMONG the names of prominent state and government officials registered at the Pavilion last week we notice those of Lieutenant-Governor Samuel E. Pingree, Hon. James L. Martin, Colonel George W. Hooker and George H. Bigelow.

CHARLES F. BROWNELL has moved the stock of the "Union Card Company" from the old stand in the second story of the Ballou building, opposite the post-office, to more comfortable and convenient quarters in French's block on Main street.

THE town superintendent desires teachers contemplating examination at the regular semi-annual on November 17, to take notice that they are liable to be asked questions in physiology and hygiene agreeably to the law passed at the last session of the legislature.

LITTLE CORINNE and her Merri-Makers are booked for Capital Hall Tuesday evening, the 13th, in the opera "Bijou." Corinne has had various experiences since she was last here two years ago. She has developed musically, and with a good company will give an excellent entertainment.

THE four hundredth anniversary of Martin Luther's birth is to be observed in Montpelier next Sunday evening at a general gathering in Bethany church, at seven o'clock. The pastors of all the Protestant churches in town have been invited to participate, and a meeting of unusual interest may be expected.

THE recital at seminary chapel on Friday evening, under the direction of Mr. A. A. Hadley, was a pleasant affair. With the exception of one instrumental trio and vocal solos by Miss Cutler, the programme consisted of piano solos, many of which were excellently rendered. Another recital will be given Friday evening, November 16th.

THE following prominent lawyers have been in attendance upon supreme court during the week past: E. J. Phelps of Burlington, H. S. Royce, Guy C. Noble, S. E. Provost and W. McGrettrick of St. Albans, Judge Barrett of Rutland, L. H. Thompson of Irasburgh, W. C. French of Woodstock, Loveland Monson of Manchester, S. M. Gleason of Thetford, and J. G. Eddy of Brattleboro.

AT the annual meeting of engine company No. 4, held Thursday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Foreman, E. W. Brown; first assistant, Wm. Canning; second assistant, James Canning; treasurer, Hiram Atkins; clerk, Thomas J. Keegan; steward, Otis G. Miles. The company reports itself in a prosperous condition with about one hundred dollars in the treasury.

NOTICEABLE among the pedestrians on our streets Tuesday forenoon were many colored people. These were stopping here on their return from the crystal wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Hasbrook, which was celebrated at their home in the "Bear Swamp" neighborhood, on Monday evening. A large party of their colored friends met here and were carried to the scene of festivity in a four-horse team.

A LIVELY runaway occurred on Middlesex street last Thursday. The horse owned by J. D. Wiley and with which he was moving the household property of Rev. C. S. Smith, ran down the above named street and struck into a cedar hedge, barking a tree so as to ruin it, scattering the contents of the wagon on all directions, and pretty thoroughly demolishing the wagon.

MR. BANCROFT's "farewell concert," which takes place this evening, promises to be one of the pleasantest musical events of the season. The miscellaneous portion of the programme is of the highest order, and the opera of the "Crimson Scarf" is not only very pleasing, but has the advantage of being new to a Montpelier audience. The kindness of Mr. Bancroft in contributing his services on many occasions of musical interest, as well as his fine musical talent, and that of those who will assist him, should be an incentive to our people to extend to him a generous expression of good will by giving him a large and appreciative audience.

ABOUT noon on Wednesday last the woodshed on the line of the Central Vermont railroad, about one mile north of the junction, took fire from the sparks of a passing engine. The flames were soon beyond the control of the section men, and an engineer was sent to the place for assistance. "Capitol St." with a supply of hose, was taken to the fire, but owing to the great distance from the water supply, the amount of hose was insufficient and the engine was sent to Montpelier for more, this time bringing passengers from the noon express on a flat car. The fire burned furiously all the afternoon. It was nearly five o'clock before the express could pass, and far into the night before the flames were entirely subdued. About four hundred and thirty cords of wood were burned.

A FINE perspective view of Montpelier has recently been executed by Mr. A. F. Poole, artist for the firm of Poole & Norris, lithographers of Brockton, Mass. The view is taken from "Piquet's" hill, in Berlin, and shows the village in the very best advantage. Together with this view, there appears a small vignette of Montpelier, taken in 1821, and which, we believe, the only perspective view of this place ever produced other than that just finished. In addition to the vignette, there will be a reference index, locating all buildings of special interest. The size of the lithograph will be twenty-two by thirty inches, and at its low price, \$2.50 per copy, two hundred subscriptions will be necessary to secure publication. We hope our citizens will give their orders freely, as they ought, so that the publication of the view may be assured.